

ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS

CURRENT COMMENT ABOUT PEOPLE AND THE THINGS THEY ARE DOING

At the annual meeting of the parish of the Episcopal church held Wednesday evening at the church, H. H. Newman was elected senior warden for the coming year and Edmund Dickey, junior warden. The following were elected to act as vestrymen: F. L. Temple, F. W. Rincker, J. Q. Wilcox, Harry Dixon, Earl Stamp, Hershey Welsh and C. S. Clinton.

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce are canvassing the business men this week for contributions to the budget fund. They are asking each firm to give as much as it did last year. Reports so far are that the men are being graciously received in most cases and the business men are doing all they can to make a good showing.

On Tuesday there were 35 men at work on the water extensions which are about 40 per cent completed. At the same time there were 17 men at work on the new court house, 10 men on the transmission line and 4 extra men were taken on by the street commissioner. The fine weather helps and the public improvements in process of construction at this time also help.

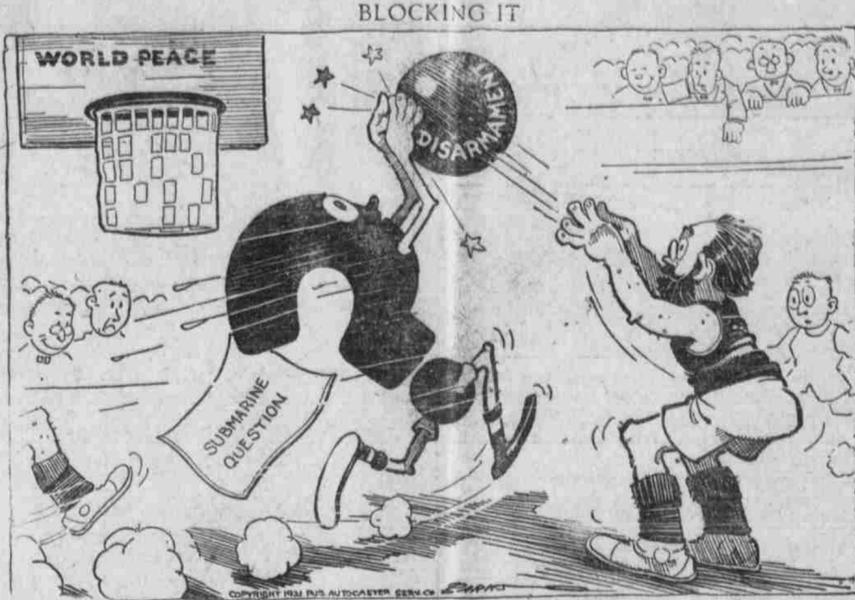
The value of the 287 town and city mortgages filed during 1921 amounted to \$588,169 according to the report sent to Lincoln this week by Register of Deeds Yost of Lincoln county. In 1920 there were 407 mortgages with a value of \$958,865. Last year 213 of these mortgages were satisfied for a value of \$377,063 while the year before 303 were paid off to the amount of \$461,182.

During 1921 the North Platte Volunteer Fire Department answered 46 calls. The estimated fire loss during the year was \$14,000.00. The department has three trucks and 40 members. Reports from Fremont for comparison show the department of that city to have 120 members, with four trucks and to have answered more than forty calls with an estimated fire loss of \$250,000.00. Pretty good showing for the local department.

During the past year 13 people have received notary public commissions in Lincoln county. Some of these are renewals and some are new. Each is good for six years. Following is a list of those issued during 1921: W. H. McDonald, H. B. Sawyer, Moorefield, Chas. F. Temple, M. E. Crosby, John Grant, Harry Lannin, R. A. Scott, Sutherland, Alice M. Trobridge, R. D. Rasmussen, Delpha Young, J. W. Pielsticker, Wallace and A. M. Hayes.

Mrs. John McGraw was appointed a special police yesterday by Mayor Evans. This was done to enable her to do some of the things which need to be done and which she is especially fitted to do. She will now have police power to compel people to accompany her into court and to answer such questions as the police can compel one to answer. This is not the first time a North Platte woman has had these powers for each member of the apparently defunct welfare board had police powers. She was given the star yesterday.

A new organization is about to be launched on the field of endeavor in North Platte. It is called the Children of the American Revolution and is an auxiliary of the Daughters of the American Revolution. All children who have ancestors who fought in the



Revolutionary War are eligible to membership whether their mothers are members of the D. A. R. or not. Mrs. M. K. Neville is sponsoring the organization here in North Platte and will be glad to hear of any children who are eligible and would like to join.

At a meeting held last Friday evening the Platte Valley Pet Stock Association was organized and the following officers were elected: M. C. Rogers, president; William Jones, vice-president; William Woodings, secretary and T. O. Smith, treasurer. The association is organized to promote the sale of pet stock, to popularize certain kinds and breeds and to interest people in this section of the state in the raising of such animals. The next meeting will be held at the Rogers shop on North Locust street on Wednesday evening of this week.

Some of our citizens are worried about the leaks in the new water mains which are being constructed about the city. This is unnecessary as the city government has amply provided for just such an occurrence. The contractor is under bond to keep the mains in repair for one year after the job is completed and at the end of that time a rigid inspection will be made and during that time the contractor will be notified of any leaks that develop. The contractor has dug up several places so far where the leaks would not fill up of their own accord and has made necessary repairs.

Word was received here yesterday that the executive committee of the District Teachers' Association had a meeting last week and at that time appointed Superintendent Aileen G. Cochran of Lincoln county to a vacancy on the board. It was decided to hold the association meeting next fall during election week and to hold it at North Platte. This will be the first week in November. The district association was approved as a substitute for either county or city institute in the counties of the district and that should bring an attendance of at least a thousand teachers to North Platte. The district extends from Deuel county to the further limit of Hall and Adams county, making Grand Island, Hastings, Kearney, Broken Bow and Ogallala in the district.

Thirty or more auto owners and drivers were ordered to police court yesterday morning for driving on the streets without a 1922 auto license. Judge Tracy dismissed the entire lot without trial. Among them were a number of prominent business men.

FARM MORTGAGES FILED IN 1921 SHOW MARKED DECLINE

There were 465 farm mortgages filed in the office of Register Yost during the year 1921 according to his summary which has just been forwarded to Lincoln. These were for a total value of \$2,621,433. In 1920 there were 665 mortgages on farm lands filed with a value of \$3,719,041. This shows a decline of 39 per cent. At the same time 280 farm mortgages have been paid off or otherwise satisfied with a value of \$891,471. During 1920 there were 493 farm mortgages satisfied with a value of \$1,683,261. This shows a decrease of 47 per cent over last year.

The Chamber of Commerce at Aberdeen, S. D., has been making a study of the cost of living in a number of places over the central west. A set of definite questions was sent out to the cities of South Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Missouri, Montana and Nebraska. These questions asked for prevailing prices of certain standard commodities in each place. North Platte was included in the questionnaire. The tabulation of the replies has been received here and is an interesting document. Here are some of the comparisons for Nebraska cities: Lumber, 2x4-12 common, at Beatrice sells at 47c, Grand Island 39c, Lincoln 40c, Fremont 40c, North Platte 37c and Hastings 38c; No. 2 fir siding sells at Beatrice at 55c, Grand Island 50c, Lincoln 60c, Fremont 60c, North Platte 45c, Hastings 50c. Portland cement sold at Beatrice at \$3.20, Grand Island \$3.20, Lincoln \$3.40, Fremont \$3.12, North Platte \$4.00 and Hastings \$3.20. Common labor brings 30c at Beatrice, 35c at Grand Island, Lincoln, Fremont and Hastings and 40c at North Platte. Plumbers get \$7 1/2c at Hastings, 90c at Grand Island, \$1 at Lincoln and \$1.25 at Beatrice, Fremont and North Platte. Round steak is 25c at Beatrice, Grand Island, 30c at Fremont and North Platte and 35c at Lincoln. A large number of other items are given but the opinion of those who have studied the charts is that North Platte does not have the advantage over the other places in either low or high prices, being about medium.

During the year 1921 there were 245 marriage licenses issued in Lincoln county. Four of these have not yet been returned which leaves 241 marriages performed during the year. Of these Judge Woodhurst performed 94, Rev. Hess 32, Rev. Koch 17, Rev. Moore 12, Rev. Stevens 15, Rev. Shenk 13, Rev. McDaid 9, and scattering over the county and in other counties were 49 others with none as large as those given above. Justices Sullivan, Meyer and Marcott performed seven ceremonies which number added to the 94 performed by Judge Woodhurst gives 101 by civil authorities against 140 religious.

The fire department was called to the home of F. L. Kennedy, 1401 East Twelfth street, last evening on account of the barn's burning. The barn was burned to the ground and one horse burned to death. The house on the Kennedy place was burned about a month ago.

NIGHT SCHOOL TO OPEN MONDAY WITH LARGE ENROLLMENT

The composite committee of the night school met Wednesday night and completed its organization. Mrs. Roddy was elected chairman of the committee, and Mrs. Gilchrist, secretary. An executive committee of three composed of Fred Oulmetts, Otto Thoelecke and Mrs. George Frazer was appointed to recommend teachers for the night school. The recommendations will go to the teachers' committee of the board of education for confirmation. The program of classes is as follows: Monday—Typewriting, Auto Mechanics, Air Sewing.

Tuesday—Combustion, Car Repairing, Mathematics, Salesmanship, Poultry.

Wednesday—Shorthand, Machine work, Cooking, Girls' Gymnasium, Salesmanship.

Thursday—Girls' Gymnasium, Mechanical Drawing, Valve Setting, English.

LAST DECEMBER WAS THE WARMEST IN FIFTEEN YEARS

The mean temperature for last December according to the monthly summary just issued by Weatherman Shilling, was 31 degrees while the average for the last 48 years is 26.6. The highest for December was 68 and the lowest 5 below. The total rainfall for the month was fourteen hundredths of an inch. The normal is forty-seven hundredths so there is a deficiency of thirty-three hundredths for the month. This leaves a deficiency for the year 1921 of 7.38 inches of rainfall. During December there were ten clear days, ten cloudy days and eleven partly cloudy.

ANNUAL REPORT ON JUNIOR CLUBS BY THE FARM BUREAU

The annual report of County Agent Kellogg had the following to say about the Boys' and Girls' Club work in Lincoln county for the past year: This is the first year of club work in Lincoln county. We had twenty pig club members, all of which finished with a good record. The total weight of the twenty pigs produced is 3,693 pounds at an average cost per pound of .0498 cents and an average daily gain of 1.21 pounds. These pigs were on growing and not on fattening rations. All had some kind of pasture but were fed almost entirely on feed produced on the farms. All animals are purebred and are remaining on the farms where they are starting herds of purebred hogs. All of these members have expressed the desire to continue the work next year by taking up the Sow and Litter club work. Considerable interest has been shown by those who were not members this year. The Pig club represented three breeds and the county champion in the Pig club was an 11-year-old girl whose pig weighed 239 pounds when about six months old. The Calf club consisted of four members the small number being due

to high price of calves and the scarcity of money. The two shorthorn calves were owned by the members whose father is a breeder of shorthorns and his boy's calf won first place over all females exhibited at the county fair. The boy who won first place in the Hereford club also won county championship. He works by the month on the farm of his uncle and paid \$200 for the calf with which he expects to start his own herd.

We had two sewing clubs, one of which did not finish because the leader was absent during the summer but which expects to finish this winter. The other club finished and gave a demonstration at the county fair and won a prize at the state fair.

The cooking club did not finish the year's work because of the absence of part of the members.

LAST CALL FOR LEGION MEN FOR TRYOUTS AT BASKET BALL

Tonight the American Legion basket ball team will hold its try out practice at the Lloyd Opera house, now known as Legion hall, and all eligible players are urged to be present at 8 o'clock. Dr. J. R. McKirahan will be the head coach. It is expected that an assistant coach and a captain will be selected tonight. A large number of Legion members have taken an interest in the game and it is planned to organize a double team to take care of them. Any Legionnaire who can play basket ball is urged to be present and make a try for the first team. North Platte post will go after the state championship and expects to get it.

Read the Bargain Counter list.

LODGE, CHURCH AND SOCIETY

COMING MEETINGS IN THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS OF THE CITY

LUTHERAN
9:45 Sunday School
No preaching services

METHODIST
11:00 "Converging Avenues."
7:30 "The Second Commandment."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
11:00 Christian Science service.
Services in the Building & Loan building.

BAPTIST
11:00 "A Strange Reminder."
7:30 "Your Monument" (Illustrated by three large water color paintings)

CHRISTIAN
11:00 "Three Great Words in the Gospel."
7:30 "A Bible Tragedy."

EPISCOPAL
11:00 Morning prayer and sermon.
7:30 Evening prayer and sermon.

WAR MOTHERS
Will meet this evening at the home of Mrs. J. J. Halligan. A large attendance is desired.

TOMORROW
Woman's Relief Corp will hold installation of officers at the I. O. O. F. hall tomorrow.

NIGHT SCHOOL
Everybody registered in night school for typewriting, auto mechanics, sewing and air is requested to be at the Franklin school at 7:30 on Monday evening.

A COUNTY OFFICIAL WINS BRIDE AND IS WED AT GENEVA

W. B. Salisbury, highway commissioner for Lincoln county was married to Miss Emma Cumberland of Geneva, Neb., on December 27, according to word received here this week. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's brother who lives at Geneva. Mr. and Mrs. Salisbury left for a trip to California where they will spend their honeymoon. Before returning they will visit Mr. Salisbury's daughter, Ida, Salisbury has lived in North Platte for a number of years and has served as city street commissioner and county highway commissioner. Mrs. Salisbury made many friends here while visiting last summer at the home of Miss Bessie Salisbury. They will make North Platte their future home. The Tribune extends its congratulations.

Charles Bogue left Wednesday for Omaha to transact business.

When You Can't Get to the Bank

Whenever our out-of-town customers are unable to call personally at the bank to transact their business, we suggest that they take advantage of the fact that practically all their banking business can be transacted here by mail.

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